

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method and apparatus for generating a synthetic image wherein a specific object region is extracted, a three-dimensional shape information is extracted, and a video image and a CG image are drawn compoundly. By appending three dimensional shape information <sup>to the</sup> specific object region and data called <sup>a</sup> video image <sup>object, and the video object is</sup> ~~object~~ to be synthesized with CG images is created and stored on a hard disk. By using this data, a synthetic image is generated in non-real time fashion.

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